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Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554



Karen Majcher Vice President, High Cost and Low Income Division Universal Service Administrative Company 2000 L Street, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

Re:

CC Docket No. 96-45, In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service

### Annual State Certification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.316

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.316, state commissions must file an annual certification with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the FCC stating that residential rates in rural areas served by non-rural carriers are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide.

# Utah Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (companies) Certified With This Letter:

Qwest, Inc., doing business as CenturyLink

The Commission certifies that the rates charged by the sole non-rural ILEC serving rural areas in Utah are reasonably comparable to the nationwide urban rates. The rate charged by Qwest, Inc. (dba CenturyLink), Utah's only non-rural LEC serving rural areas, is less than the safe harbor amount determined by the FCC.

Respectfully,

Gary L. Widerburg Commission Secretary

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54.314(a) State Certification Letter 2014 Submission Date: September 18, 2014

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USAC Vice President, High Cost and Low Income Division 2000 L Street, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the Utah Public Service Commission hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the telecommunications carriers included in this letter are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The Utah Public Service Commission certifies for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within Utah was used in the preceding calendar year (2013) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2015) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. §54.314(a) ("Certification. States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within that State was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.").

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Company Name	Study Area Code
CENTRAL UTAH TEL INC	502277
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	502278
EMERY TELEPHONE	502278
HANKSVILLE TELECOM	502278
GUNNISON TEL CO	502279
MANTI TEL CO	502282
SKYLINE TELECOM	502283
BEEHIVE TEL CO - UT	502284
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH	502286
UBET TELECOM, INC.	502287
ALL WEST COMM-UT	502288
BEAR LAKE COMM	503032
CITIZENS-FRONTIER-UT	504429
NAVAJO-UT-FRONTIER	504449
QWEST CORP-UT	505107
UNION TELEPHONE CO	512297

Check \_\_ if list of certified carriers is attached.

Signed,

Signature of State Representative

John S. Harvey

Technical Staff – Economist/Technical Consultant Utah Public Service Commission Title

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### 54.314(a) State-Certification Submission Year: 2014

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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State Certification of support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. & 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **Public Service Commission of Utah** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The Public Service Commission of Utah certifies that for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within UTAH was used in the preceding calendar year ( 2013 ) and will be used in the coming calendar year ( 2015 ) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.<sup>1</sup>

#### ETCs CERTIFIED BY Public Service Commission of Utah

CARRIER	SAC
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY, LLC	500758
CENTRAL UTAH TEL INC	502277
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	502278
EMERY TELEPHONE	502278
HANKSVILLE TELECOM	502278
GUNNISON TEL CO	502279
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Signed,

Signature of Certifying State Commission Representative: Certified On-Line

Name of Certifying State Commission Representative: John Harvey

Title or Position of Certifying State Commission Representative: Technical Staff - Economist/Technical Consultant

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